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Sir:

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For: PRINTING SYSTEM

Enclosed are:

X A specification consisting of 12 pages

X 6 sheet(s) of formal drawings

X An assignment of the invention

X Certified copy of Priority Document(s)

X Executed Declaration X Original Photocopy

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